

General Assembly

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To: Senate Bill No. **1028** File No. 659 Cal. No. 372

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE TOLLING OF THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR A NEGLIGENCE ACTION BROUGHT BY A MINOR."

- Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:
- "Section 1. Section 52-584 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015, and*
- 5 applicable to all cases pending on and cases filed on or after said date):
- (a) No action to recover damages for injury to the person, or to real or personal property, caused by negligence, or by reckless or wanton misconduct, or by malpractice of a physician, surgeon, dentist, podiatrist, chiropractor, hospital or sanatorium, shall be brought but within two years from the date when the injury is first sustained or discovered or in the exercise of reasonable care should have been discovered, and except that no such action may be brought more than

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three years from the date of the act or omission complained of, except that a counterclaim may be interposed in any such action any time before the pleadings in such action are finally closed.

(b) Notwithstanding the time limitation to bring an action under subsection (a) of this section, and except as otherwise provided in section 52-577d, 52-577e or 52-579, if a person is under eighteen years of age on the date when such injury is first sustained or discovered, or in the exercise of reasonable care should have been discovered, such person may bring an action, as described in subsection (a) of this section, within seven years from the date of the act or omission complained of, or within one year from the date such person attains eighteen years of age, whichever occurs first. The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to provide any less time to bring such action than would otherwise be available under subsection (a) of this section. The time limitations prescribed in this section shall not relieve the party bringing such action from complying with the requirement under subsection (a) of section 52-190a that the complaint, initial pleading or apportionment complaint be accompanied by a certificate indicating that a reasonable inquiry, as permitted by the circumstances, has been made to determine that there are grounds for a good faith belief that there has been negligence in the care or treatment of the injured person."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2015, and applicable to all cases pending on and cases filed on or after said date	52-584

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